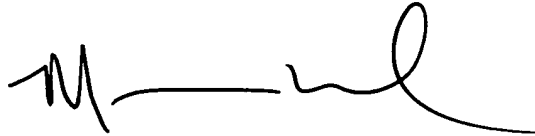


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Applicant submits that all pending claims are in patentable condition and respectfully requests an early notice to that effect. The Examiner is requested to contact applicant's attorney at the number provided below should any questions or issues remain.

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